## **Speak Latvian to Diplomats!**



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Project Summary	Speak Latvian with a diplomat! Our Foreign Service Officers in training at the FSI are looking for native speakers of Latvian to practice their language skills. Discuss politics, current events, economics, or film, music, art history and food, to help prepare diplomats for their missions overseas.		
Country	United States		

# **Project Description**

The Foreign Service Institute (FSI) trains diplomats in over 70 languages. The more practice they get speaking their target language, the more prepared they will be for their language exam, and most importantly, to do their job at post. We are looking for native Latvian speakers to converse with our Foreign Service Officers in an informal setting, by either phone or video chats. Conversations may start out very basic, on every day topics, and will become more sophisticated as the Diplomats advance in the training. By speaking Latvian with our Diplomats, you will have a unique opportunity to help them improve their language competence, as well as to discuss Latvian history, politics and culture with a future representative of the United States to Latvian.

#### **Required Skills or Interests**

Skill(s)
Cultural diplomacy

### **Additional Information**

Contact times with Diplomats can be flexible and mutually agreed upon.

# **Language Requirements**

Language Speaking Proficiency		Reading Proficiency Importance	
Latvian	Native or bilingual proficienc	v No practical proficiency	Required